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In re application of: Diamicron, Inc. (Bill J. Pope et al.))
Application No.: 09/494,278)
Filed: January 30, 2000) Art Unit 3738
For: PROSTHETIC KNEE JOINT HAVING AT)
LEAST ONE DIAMOND ARTICULATION)
SURFACE)
Examiner: David J. Isabella)
Attorney Docket: 05261.021 / 6061 P)

RESPONSE

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In response to the Final Office Action dated June 4, 2003, and subsequent Advisory Action, dated August 29, 2003, Applicants submit herewith this Response with Remarks and a Request for Continued Examination.

Remarks

The Examiner has noted by way of an Advisory Action dated August 29, 2003, that the Applicants' reply to a Final Office Action failed to place the Application in condition for allowance as "incorporation of the subject matter of claim 30 into claim 28 does not overcome the outstanding rejection." Note, Advisory Action. The Final Office Action dated June 4, 2003, stated that claims 1-28 were allowed; claims 29, 30, 32-36, 39-63, 66 and 67 were rejected; and